

August 1, 2022

The Mahaska County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on the above date at 9:00 a.m. in the third-floor conference room of the Mahaska County courthouse. Present were the following board members: Chairman – Mark Groenendyk; Vice chairman – Steve Wanders and Member – Chuck Webb. Also, present were Sam Parsons, KBOE Radio; Carter Brehm, Asst. Engineer; Andrew Mc Guire, Engineer; Brian Knudtson, GIS Coordinator; Russ Van Renterghem, Sheriff; Paul Greufe, HR Consultant; Tom Flaherty, Economic Development; Andrew Ritland, County Attorney; and County Auditor Jody Van Patten. Micah Van Mersbergen attended by phone. This meeting was live streamed by Communications Research Institute of William Penn University.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve the agenda for today's meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Micah Van Mersbergen attended by phone to talk about Ordinance number 13 regarding Wind Turbines.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve the bills for the month of July totaling \$1,405,654.95. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve the minutes from July 26, 2022 with correction to the public comments section. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to accept the resignation of Eric Dursky from the Stephen Memorial Animal Shelter Board. Mr. Dursky's term was July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2025. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to appoint Brandon Kain to the Stephen Memorial Animal Shelter Board. Mr. Kain's appointment will end on June 30, 2025. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to approve the request of the Sheriff to remove jailer Austin Glandon from the Sheriff Dept. effective August 8, 2022. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Sheriff Van Renterghem discussed with the board jail staff shortages.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve increases of wages for jailers currently in the step portion of jail employment. Any new jailers from this date starting employment will now begin with a starting wage of \$41,016.00 minus a 3% withholding for a six-month probationary period. Step 1 will be a wage of \$42,124.00, step 2 wage will be a wage of \$43,233.00, and step 3 wage will be \$44,342.00. All these steps will also receive the cost-of-living wage in that given year. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve Resolution 2022-26 Resolution for Participation in SS4A Grant Application. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION FOR PARTICIPATION IN SS4A GRANT APPLICATION

Mahaska County Resolution No. 2022-26

WHEREAS, as part of the new Federal Transportation Bill, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), there is over \$1B of roadway safety funding available in the form of Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grants. To be an eligible applicant for this new safety funding, a county MUST have an eligible Action Plan in place; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Engineers Association (ICEA) plans to apply for a SS4A grant to develop and supply all 99 counties in Iowa with an eligible Action Plan at no cost to the counties. ICEA encourages all 99 counties to participate in this grant application; and

WHEREAS, the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors will commit to achieve significant declines in roadway fatalities and serious injuries in Mahaska County; and

WHEREAS, the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors recognizes the Action Plan and will assist the County Engineer's department in achieving the goal of a dramatic decrease in roadway fatalities and serious injuries and zero roadway fatalities and serious injuries by the years 2030 and 2050, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the Mahaska County Board of Supervisors, after consulting with the Mahaska County Engineer, desires to participate in a joint SS4A grant to develop and receive an eligible Action Plan for Mahaska County.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF Mahaska COUNTY that this County does hereby request to be included in the statewide SS4A grant to develop Actions Plans for all 99 counties in Iowa.

Resolution adopted this 1st day of August, 2022.

Mahaska County Board of Supervisors

Board of Supervisors Chairperson

ATTEST:

Mahaska County Auditor

It was moved by Webb seconded by Wanders to approve the addendum to the employee handbook regarding Secondary Roads and when their personal days are earned. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None

It was moved by Wanders seconded by Webb to adjourn. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Attest: _____
Jody Van Patten
Mahaska County Auditor

Mark Groenendyk – Chairman
Mahaska County Board of Supervisors